Dodge County Land Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes 127 East Oak Street Juneau, WI 53039 April 24, 2017

The Dodge County Land Conservation Committee (LCC), Planning, Development & Parks Committee and the UW-Extension Education Committee of the Dodge County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 8:00 o'clock A.M., in the First-Floor Conference Room, Room 1H and 1I, Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Note: All Action Items related only to the Land Conservation Committee. The Planning, Development & Parks Committee listened, gathered information within the body's realm of authority, but did not take any formal action.

1. Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Bischoff at 8:00 AM with the following members present: Larry Bischoff, William Foley, Allen Behl, William Muche and Dale Macheel.

Missing: Richard Fink

Other Dodge County Board Members and Dodge County Staff and Agency Advisors Present: John Bohonek-Conservation Engineering Technician, Matt Peplinski-FSA Director, Kathy Turner-NRCS DC.

- 2. Allen Behl moved and Bill Muche seconded to approve agenda and permit the Chair to deviate from agenda to efficiently conduct meeting. Motion carried.
- 3. Approval of March 27, 2017 minutes: Motion by Bill Muche seconded by William Foley to approve the minutes of March 27, 2017.
- 4. Agency Advisor Monthly Reports: Matt Peplinski from the FSA office and reported. Kathy Turner explained as part of compliance season, they are doing random compliance checks through May (e.g. making sure that people are doing their tillage requirements and wetland.) They have 3 more EQIP projects for a comprehensive management plan.
- 5. Review of bills and revenue: John Bohonek reviewed bills and revenue as shown on the attached listing.
- 6. Nutrient trading/Adaptive management by Andrew Craig of DNR.
 - a. Discuss nutrient trading presentation from Andrew Craig regarding options for municipalities. Andrew Craig was the statewide nutrient management specialist and is a

watershed collaborative. There are three options that allow for urban city areas that discharge into a river or phosphorous to work with agriculture to reduce phosphorous.

- b. Multi-Discharger Phosphorus Variance Just approved in Feb of 2017. MDV. Not everyone is eligible. They have to have the rate payer base to absorb the costs. What is the most cost effective way? This is good for 10 years and it can be renewed or you could do selective trading or adaptive management.
- c. Benefit include being streamlined administrative process (2yrs all the local permits will come up "filtration, adaptive trading or MDV." Any of those could involve the county. Some wastewater treatment plants. Let's start talking to the county to collaborate on how to do this.
- d. Adaptive Management vs. WQ Trading Latter focuses on compliance with discharge limits on specific land units. Adaptive management works with the entire watershed so that the stream meets water quality standards. Trade ratio 2:1 for every two pounds of phosphorous you only get 1 lb of credit. Closer to the waste water treatment plant, the more credit you get for reductions.

Adaptive management gives you more flexibility to go all over the watershed. You have time to find identify and achieve those reductions. You can get up to 15 or 20 years. The watershed you work with has to be 50% of source or greater from nonpoint or agriculture.

- 7 Discuss Farmland Preservation Program: FPP Participation Levels; FPP Tracking System There are a lot of phone calls looking for their number. Some people have been claiming the tax credit but were not in the program. IT found that the current program GCS program has multiple pages. One page not currently being used can be modified to work for COC production. Could be short or long term solution.
- 8 Turkey donation program: discussed enrollment into 1st year of the program.
- 9 Mission Statement, committee reviewed examples of mission statements and decided on the following for Dodge County Working together to provide education, information and technical assistance to residents and units of government in Dodge County to protect, restore and sustain our soil and water resources.
- 10 County Conservationist Monthly Report: Significant Work activities and issues included conducting small packet tree distribution on April 18-20 at the Dodge County fairgrounds with all tree sold, turning in annual work plan to DATCP
- 11 Committee Member Reports
 - a. William Muche reported on Lake Sinnissippi District. William said Lake Sinnissippi attended the last meeting on April 13, 2017. They received a grant a \$16,000 grant for shoreline restoration. They also heard a presentation by Tony Pierick which was informative and helpful.

- b. William Foley previously reported baseline information from the Beaver Dam Lake as well as key points on which to focus their plan to focus. Wisconsin Lakes conference is held in Stevens Point on April 5 7 which Bill will attend.
- 12 Correspondence None.
- 13 Per Diem Lisa Derr moved and Allen Behl seconded to approve the per diems. Motion passed.
- 14 Next Meeting Date. Land Conservation Meeting to appoint new Land Conservationist and sign resolution on May 8, 2017. The committee's next meeting will be the fourth Monday of the month which is May 22, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.

15 Adjournment: There being no further business to come before this committee, William Muche moved to adjourn Allen Behl seconded. Motion carried.

Larry Bischoff, Chair

Lisa Derr, Secretary

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT BILLS & REVENUE

BILLS

John Bohonek March expenses USDA-APHIS Wildlife Damage Program Laura's Lane Nursery WLWCA conference hotel expenses		\$20.65 \$4,353.21 \$8,670.50 \$410.00
<u>REVENUE</u>	TOTAL	\$13,454.36
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